

## CLAIMS

1. A malt fermented beverage which is liquors partly made of malt and having sparkling characteristic, the beverage being  
5 prepared by using a distillate of an alcohol-containing material at least partly made of wheat/barley as a part of starting materials of the beverage.

2. A malt fermented beverage comprising:

an alcohol-containing material partly made of wheat/barley and  
10 produced by fermentation, serving as a component A; and

an alcohol-containing distillate obtained by distilling an alcohol-containing material at least partly made of wheat/barley, serving as a component B,

wherein the malt fermented beverage is produced by mixing the  
15 component A and the component B.

3. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2, wherein at least malt is used as a starting material for the alcohol-containing material of the component A.

4. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2,  
20 wherein the alcohol-containing material of the component A is made of at least malt, hop and water, and other starting materials as is necessary.

5. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 4, wherein the other starting materials are selected from the group  
25 consisting of rice, corn, sorghum, white potato, starch, sugars, wheat/barley other than malt, a bittering agent, and a coloring agent.

6. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2, wherein the alcohol-containing material of the component A is beer  
30 or a low-malt beer beverage.

7. The malt fermented beverage according to any one of claims 2 to 6, wherein the alcohol-containing material of the component A is an alcohol-containing material having malt proportion

of 20% or higher.

8. The malt fermented beverage according to any one of claims 2 to 6, wherein the alcohol-containing material of the component A is an alcohol-containing material having malt proportion of 40% or higher.

9. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2, wherein the alcohol-containing distillate of the component B is shochu (Japanese distilled liquor), whisky, vodka, spirits, or raw material alcohol.

10. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2, wherein wheat/barley used as a starting material in the alcohol-containing distillate of the component B is barley or wheat.

11. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2, wherein the alcohol-containing distillate of the component B is "mugi shochu" (shochu distilled from wheat/barley).

12. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2, wherein the alcohol-containing distillate of the component B is one that is distilled in a batch distiller.

13. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 11, wherein the mugi shochu is otsu-rui shochu.

14. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 13, wherein the mugi shochu is mugi shochu that is obtained from starting materials including wheat/barley, malted wheat/barley, and water.

15. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2, wherein the alcohol-containing distillate of the component B is one that is distilled in a continuous distiller.

16. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2, wherein the alcohol-containing distillate of the component B is wheat spirits.

17. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2, wherein the alcohol-containing material of the component A is an alcohol-containing material having malt proportion of 100%, and the

distillate of alcohol-containing material of the component B is  
otsu-rui mugi shochu.

18. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2,  
wherein the alcohol-containing material of the component A is an  
5 alcohol-containing material having malt proportion of 40 to 60%, and  
the distillate of alcohol-containing material of the component B is  
wheat spirits.

19. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2,  
wherein an alcohol content of the alcohol-containing distillate of  
10 the component B is from 25 to 45%.

20. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 1 or 2,  
wherein an alcohol content of the malt fermented beverage is from 1  
to 15%.

21. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2,  
15 wherein the alcohol-containing material of the component A and the  
alcohol-containing distillate of the component B are mixed in a  
volume ratio of 99.9:0.1 to 80:20.

22. The malt fermented beverage according to claim 2,  
wherein a ratio between an alcohol content from the alcohol-  
20 containing material of the component A and an alcohol content from  
the alcohol-containing distillate of the component B is in a range  
of 97.5:2.5 to 90:10.

23. A method of producing a malt fermented beverage, the  
beverage comprising:

25 an alcohol-containing material partly made of wheat/barley and  
produced by fermentation (named component A); and

an alcohol-containing distillate obtained by distilling an  
alcohol-containing material at least partly made of wheat/barley  
(named component B),

30 the method comprising mixing the component A and the component  
B to produce the malt fermented beverage.